

EIGHTH AVENUE'S FRIENDS WIN.

Hall Tried to Prevent the Change of Motive Power but Failed.

ALDERMANIC VOTE 14 TO 10.

Railroad Committee Has the Resolution Instructing Suit to Be Commenced.

THEY'RE AGAINST IT BY 4 TO 1.

Wordy War in the Chamber, in Which Labor Representatives and Many Citizens Are Interested and Applauding Listeners.

Another wordy war took place in the Aldermanic Council Chamber yesterday. Alderman Hall began it. He offered a resolution calling upon the Corporation Counsel to institute a suit in the Supreme Court to test the rights of the city in the franchises of the Sixth and Eighth Avenue Railroads.

Labor leaders, led by Mirabeau L. Towns, and several representatives of the Third Avenue Railroad Company, together with about 200 citizens, were in the chamber, and the applause occasionally resembled that given at public political meetings.

When Hall demanded the adoption of his paper he found the hand of Republicans Parker and Marshall, and all the Tammany members against him on the final vote.

Hall accused Committeeman Nicholas Brown of refusing to go into a caucus of the Railroad Committee yesterday. Brown replied that the statement was untrue; that he merely told Hall that as the committee had settled the matter on Monday by giving its attention to John Brooks Leavitt's plan to join issue in an appeal suit, it was unnecessary to begin another suit in the lower court.

"I protest against this man," yelled Brown, pointing at Hall, "taking the liberty to present an individual report. You may as well abolish committees altogether if you permit this. I demand that his resolution and everything else he has on the subject be sent to the Railroad Committee."

The floodgates of oratory were wide open. Every member had apparently a speech ready. Hall, Oakley and Barker had theirs typewritten. Alderman Goodman favored municipal ownership, but declared the city was not in a position to assert its rights. Ware was for municipal ownership and for securing the equity of the city in the roads. Alderman Oakley, Tammany leader in the Board, said:

"As a member of this Board, I desire to be recorded as in favor of municipal ownership. It seems to me that municipal ownership can be obtained after a very necessary improvement has been made—a change of motive power. I should be in favor of that change of motive power, and if that is deemed to be a new franchise, endeavor to obtain compensation for it. I am informed that the question of the city's right to repurchase the franchises is not involved, because the change of power can be made without prejudice to the city's rights."

President Jerolman made Patrick Henry style of speech that called forth loud approval from the audience. He believed the Corporation Counsel would begin suit if he was told to do so.

"There can be no question about this proposition," said he, as he faced the labor delegates. "It is all very well for individuals to begin actions, but the case that confronts us here is incontrovertible that the city authorities have taken an action by which the rights of the citizens can be tested in the courts. I don't say this change of power should not be made, but I do declare that this Board is informed that it must be had, and, by heaven, it shall not be made without it if you will assert your rights."

Alderman Hall presented a memorial from the Society for the Control of Public Franchises, the Social Reform Club, Kings County Democratic League, the Independent Citizens' League, the William M. Spier; Knights of Labor, District Assembly 49; Knights of Labor, District Assembly 73; Knights of Labor, District Assembly 23; the Typographical Union and the Bryan and Sewall Clubs of New York and Brooklyn. It advocated the Leavitt plan of action, recited the contention and the city's claims in the two roads and called for an accounting by the Eighth Avenue company as to the cost of the road.

Hall read a letter in which he placed the Aldermen jointly as a trustee, who has a claim of millions of dollars, if a proper suit is brought to recover. The Corporation Counsel, with a suit of \$12,000,000, against the trustee's counsel, was bound to bring their suit. He concluded:

"I tell you, gentlemen, that this question will never be settled. It will rise and haunt us and harass us and should do so until the rights of our city have been finally settled by the court of last resort in a suit in which the city is the plaintiff and in which her interests have been fought for as these millions would be fought for by a private corporation or individual."

A majority of the Board did not agree with Mr. Hall, for they voted 14 to 10 to refer the matter to the Aldermanic Committee, where there is 4 to 1 against him on this franchise matter. The committee is expected to report in two weeks.

BURGLAR POLICIES BAD.

United States Casualty Company May Discontinue That Branch of Its Business.

Burglary insurance evidently is not a paying investment for the insurance companies. After an eight months' trial of it the United States Casualty Company has decided not to take any new business, and the officials are considering the advisability of discontinuing this branch of their business altogether.

Until recently, ex-Superintendent of Police Thomas Byrnes exercised personal supervision over the burglary insurance department of the company. Of late, however, he has not given it his personal attention, although it can be stated on the authority of General Manager Moore, that the action of the company will not affect Mr. Byrnes' relations with the company. This action, coming almost on the heels of the decision of the New England Burglary Insurance Company to quit business in Chicago on account of "outrageous" losses in the Windy City, was regarded yesterday by insurance men as a sure sign that burglary insurance is a costly undertaking for any company. The New England Burglary Insurance Company, in operation almost a year, reported \$10,000 as the amount paid out to its policy holders, who had suffered from the depredations of burglars.

A well known insurance man said yesterday that burglary insurance presented as many, if not more temptations, to fraud, as life and fire insurance. All sorts of devices have been resorted to by unscrupulous policy holders to pretend that they had been robbed.

Albany Day Line Trips.

Next Friday the Albany Day Line steamers New York and Albany will begin their trips for the season, leaving Desbrosses street at 8:40 a. m. and West Twenty-second street at 9 a. m. for Albany and intermediate landings.



Marquis Ito, of Japan. The warrior and statesman who will represent his Government at Queen Victoria's Jubilee.

MARQUIS ITO NOT A STRANGER HERE.

Made a Memorable Visit to This Country for Japan in 1872.

HELPED REVISE TREATY.

Embassy Was Then Received by President Grant and Addressed by Speaker Blaine.

Ottawa, May 25.—The Marquis of Ito, Premier of Japan, arrived in Ottawa this evening from Winnipeg. At a short distance from the city he was met by several members of the Dominion Cabinet. Under escort of a guard of honor the Marquis was taken to the House of Parliament, and thence to Rideau Hall. He will be the guest of the Governor-General while in the city. He leaves almost immediately for England via New York. The distinguished visitor appeared in his official robes, and was attended by an imposing suite.

This is not the first visit to this country of Marquis Ito. He was here in 1868 to make a thorough study of our coinage system, and upon his return to Japan, he established the first Japanese mint, at Osaka. He also visited the United States in 1872, with the famous Iwakura Embassy, for the purpose of revising the treaty which was then existing between the United States and Japan.

The visit of the embassy was a memorable one. The party, consisting of forty-nine members, was led by the celebrated Count Iwakura, and was accompanied by E. De Long, United States Minister to Japan. The members of the embassy were mostly young men of education and culture, who had participated in the revolution of Japan, and were destined to play an important part in the history of their country.

Girl Visitors, Too. The embassy was also accompanied by five girls who had been sent to this country for the purpose of study and training. Two of them had to return home soon after on account of poor health, but the other three spent several years in the United States. One of these, Mrs. Uru, is now a teacher in the higher female Normal School of Japan, while another, Miss Ue Tsuda, a daughter of Professor Tsuda, who visited the World's Fair, is a teacher in the Peerses School. The third is Marchioness Oyama, a graduate of Vassar College.

The embassy arrived in San Francisco in January. They remained in that city two weeks, and were overwhelmed with addresses of welcome and receptions. After being snow-bound in Salt Lake City for more than two weeks, the embassy arrived in Chicago on February 27. They showed their generosity by presenting \$5,000 to the Mayor of that city for the sufferers by the conflagration which had devastated Chicago the year before.

The Embassy reached Washington two days later and were received in official audience by President Grant, when they presented the official letter of the Mikado of Japan.

A few days later a formal reception was tendered them by Congress. An eloquent address of welcome was made by James G. Blaine, then speaker of the House of Representatives.

Japan's Authority on History. Marquis Ito is the foremost authority in Japan to-day on the history and politics of Europe. In 1878 he became Minister of Public Works, and at the death of Count Okuma became Minister of the Interior. In 1885 he was made Minister of State. He became Prime Minister in 1892, and remained in office until August, 1893, when he was succeeded by the present Premier, Count Matsugata. Since his retirement from office Marquis Ito has lived quietly at his beautiful home at Oriso, a charming summer resort thirty miles from Tokio.

PLUNGED THIRTEEN STORIES.

And to Make Suicide Sure He First Shot Himself.

Chicago, May 25.—A little after 8 o'clock this morning, while walking around the corridor on the thirteenth floor of the Chamber of Commerce building, a man suddenly drew a revolver and shot himself. He then threw himself over the railing into the court, thirteen stories below, narrowly missing pedestrians in the crowded main lobby of the structure. The fall was a distance of 180 feet.

A letter in the suicide's pocket showed that the D. L. & W. R. R. to Chicago. Fast Time Low Rates. Through Sleeping Cars. Adv.

SNUB FOR A MAHATMA.

Theosophical Headquarters in This City Will Ignore Henry B. Foulke's Claim.

The ukase of the mahatma of Henry B. Foulke, of Onset Bay, Mass., will be ignored at the Theosophical headquarters in this city. As told in the Journal yesterday, Mr. Foulke asserts that he has received a "precipitated message from a mahatma" which backed up Foulke in his claim to leadership of the Theosophical Society, of which Mrs. Katherine A. Tingley is the recognized head, and endorsed Foulke's criticisms of Mrs. Tingley for not encouraging Theosophists to develop psychic faculties.

Mrs. Tingley's secretary said yesterday: "Foulke? Oh, we don't take him seriously. He isn't even a member of the Theosophical Society, you know."

Henry B. Foulke has an interesting career. He is about thirty-five years of age. He was formerly a successful real estate agent in Philadelphia, but became interested in Spiritualism, gave up business, and launched forth as a medium. One of his first inspirations was that Christ was his "control," and he announced himself as the Messiah. But when Mme. Blavatsky, the founder of the Theosophical Society, died, May 8, 1891, Foulke proclaimed himself her rightful successor. Mme. Blavatsky, however, had declared William Q. Judge, head of the Theosophical Society in America, as her heir. Foulke thereupon sent a communication to Theosophical leaders, asserting his claim, and urging them to oust Judge. The following is a bit of correspondence that took place between Foulke and Dr. Franz Hartmann, the celebrated mystic philosopher of Berlin, who is at the head of the Theosophical Society in Germany. Foulke wrote a long letter, which started with: "I have to-day been appointed by the mahatmas as successor to Mme. Blavatsky."

To this Dr. Hartmann replied: "My Dear Sir: I have your letter, informing me of your appointment as successor to Mme. Blavatsky. By a strange coincidence I was the same day appointed successor to Shakespeare. It now only remains for each of us to show his capacity for the position. Yours truly, FRANK HARTMANN."

Ambassador White on Ellis Island. Andrew White, newly appointed Ambassador to Germany, was a guest of Dr. Joseph Semer, the Immigration Commissioner at Ellis Island, yesterday. Mr. White visited the various departments of the Landing Bureau, and asked many questions as to the methods employed in the handling of steerage passengers. Then the doctor and the Ambassador retired to the Commissioner's office, where they spent an hour discussing the new law recently passed by the German Reichstag, which places emigration from Germany under imperial, instead of State control. The Ambassador was not inclined to discuss the new law, but Dr. Semer said he believed it to be an excellent measure.

O'NEILL'S.

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We place on sale to-morrow a large stock of Men's Bicycle Suits, made of all wool chevrons, plaids and plain colors—Blue, Black and Gray—Suits that are actually worth 5.75, at the remarkable price of

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Two Special Prices.

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"Unique" Lamps 2.00, the kind that burns kerosene. 1.25
"Search Lights" 2.84
Banner 1.85
"Never Out" 2.98
Brown Saddles 2.50
Wood Handle Bars 1.08
Foot Pumps 38
Automatic Rubber Mud Guards, 1.38
Standard Cyclometers, 1,000 miles 59
Barrel Cyclometers, 10,000 miles 92
"Veeder" Cyclometers 1.05
"New Departure" Bells 23
Lamp Oil, pint 14

That's the Kind of a Wheel We Sell for 44.00.

Men's and Boys' Sweaters, Caps, Belts and Bicycle Hose at Exceptionally Low Prices.

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COTTON DRESS GOODS

A new lot of the Organ-dies and Dimities—the 25c quality that we have been selling, at 12½c—get first showing to-day. With them comes notice from the manufacturer that the end of them is in sight. No more at the price after these are gone.

At 12½c—Printed stripe Organdy. Regular 25c.
At 12½c—Printed Dimity. Regular 25c.

These are but two of the pretty Cottons at little prices—scores of others.

PINEAPPLE GAUZE

A quick-witted Scotchman saw and admired a novelty fabric made by a Frenchman, and selling at \$1. He reproduced it in improved shape. Now here AT 37½c

So woven that it will not slip seams. Plain colors and stripes. Fourth Avenue.

BLACK DRESS GOODS

Just a few of the interesting spots in the Black Dress Goods section. A safe place to buy black stuffs—no trash in the stock. All permanently black:

At 25c—All-Wool Challis, regular 37½c.
At 31c—Figured Wool Grenadine, reduced from 37½c.
At 25c—Figured Canvas, 44 in., regular 50c.
At 45c—Figured Mohair Sicilian, 46 in., regular \$1.
At 50c—Figured Grenadine, regular \$1.25.
At 37½c—Figured Mohair, regular 65c.

Fourth Avenue and Tenth street.

CRISPENE

This new fabric for outing Suits is immensely popular. Requires no lining and is fearless of storm and wash-tub. 35c, 40c AND 45c. Big variety of styles. The Rotunda.

WHITE DRESS GOODS

Last of lots not to be duplicated. Attractive designs. Half prices.

Plain linen Grass Cloth, 48 in. wide, 35c; reduced from 65c.
Hemstitched linen Grass Cloth, 25c; reduced from 50c.
Linen Grass, embroidered, 30 in. wide, 30c; reduced from 60c.

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Second floor, Broadway.

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LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS

Pure linen, and at real bargain prices.

FOR MEN
At 10c—Plain white, hemstitched, neat, serviceable, very cheap.
At 15c—Plain white, hemstitched, different widths of hem.
At 20c—Plain white hemstitched, fine sheer cloth.

FOR WOMEN
At 10c—Hemstitched, hand-embroidered initial.
At 15c, 25c and 35c—Hemstitched and embroidered, some scalloped edges and embroidered. Values 25c, 35c and 50c.

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Broadway, Tenth street.

WOMEN'S SHIRT WAISTS

About a thousand—last of popular lots—are to go at FIFTY CENTS. Originally \$1 and \$1.25. Made of fine figured dimities and lawns, percales, striped linens and Scotch plaid madras. Detachable collars.

WOMEN'S SUITS

A tailor-made Suit of cheviot serge, lined throughout with taffeta silk, \$12.

Fly front Jacket, notched collar, tailor back, hip and change pocket with flaps; skirt hangs perfectly. A Suit of foulard silk, dark grounds, white figures; lined throughout with changeable taffeta silk.

AT \$33.

Waist has double Eton effect, stock collar and plaited belt, collar, waist and sleeves trimmed with ecru lace. Skirt correctly shaped, and finished with two ruffles.

These two items show the trend of our prices for ready-to-wear Suits. Second floor, Broadway.

CHILDREN'S REEFERS

The entire stock of Reefers for tots 2 to 4 years has been reduced in price a half—yes, more in many cases.

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Were \$6.00, now \$3
Were \$5.00, now \$2

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Reefers of wash materials, plaited back, box front; trimmed with white braid, \$1. In blue, tan and green mixed. Second floor, Fourth Avenue.

CHILDREN'S DRESSES

Rapid selling has left broken sizes in some of the most popular styles. The remainder go thus—

Yesterday \$2.75 to \$3.25, now \$2.00
Yesterday \$5.00 to \$7.50, now \$3.50

Sizes 2 to 4 years; all sizes, but not in each style. Lawns, organdies and dimities. Some trimmed with embroidery or lace; others with ribbon. Dainty styles. The saving is apparent.

Second floor, Fourth Avenue.

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Fourth floor.

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After the first hundred miles you wouldn't know but you had paid full price. No more at the prices when these are gone.

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One style, blue-and-green, scroll and scene decorations. Were \$2.50 to \$10. Are \$1.75 to \$6.75

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